

Title VI, Section 637, appoints the following individual to serve as member of the Helping to Enhance the Livelihood of People (HELP) Around the Globe Commission: Michael A. Ledeen of Maryland.

The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 108-199, Section 104(c)(1)(A), appoints the following individual to serve as a member of the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program: William E. Troutt of Tennessee.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 2250

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk that is due for second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

The clerk will read the title of the bill for the second time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2250) to extend the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

Mr. ALEXANDER. I object to further proceedings on the bill at this time on behalf of the leader in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard. The bill will be placed on the calendar pursuant to rule XIV.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2004

Mr. ALEXANDER. On behalf of the leader, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business

today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 31. I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business until 10 a.m. with the first half of that time under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the final time under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee.

I further ask consent that at 10 a.m. tomorrow morning, the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House to accompany S. Con. Res. 95, the budget resolution. I further ask consent that Senator CONRAD be in control of 60 minutes, and Chairman NICKLES be in control of 30 minutes of debate only; provided further that following the use or yielding back of time, the Senate disagree to the amendment of the House, agree to a request for a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate with a ratio of 4-3, with no intervening objection or debate.

Finally I ask consent that following the appointment of conferees, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 4.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, tomorrow, following morning business, the leader has asked me to say that the Senate will conduct the 90 minutes of debate prior to appointing conferees

with respect to the budget resolution. Following that action, the Senate will resume consideration of the welfare reauthorization bill.

Moments ago, the majority leader filed cloture on the committee substitute to that bill. That cloture vote will occur on Thursday of this week. We hope cloture would be invoked to allow us to finish the welfare legislation.

It is also the majority leader's hope that we will be able to move forward with germane amendments to the welfare reauthorization bill and make progress on the bill during tomorrow's session. Therefore, rollcall votes are possible during tomorrow's session. Senators will be notified when the first vote is scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. ALEXANDER. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:19 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nomination received by the Senate March 30, 2004:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTOPHER R. HILL, OF RHODE ISLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.